Prisoner's Escape from Hospital

†4003. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what is Government's reaction to the news-item published in the Dainik Jagran on 9th March, 2000 under the caption Lok Nayak Hospital Main Bharti Kaidi Shauchalaya Kay Raiishandan Say farar;

(b) the steps being taken by Government to check such incidents of prisoner's escape; and

(c) whether Government are formulating any scheme to impart training to the police personnel to check recurrence of such incidents ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGARRAO) : (a) Delhi Police have lodged an FIR in connection with unlawful escape of the prisoner in question and taken up the matter for investigation,

(b) The precautions taken to prevent such incidents include deployment of police guard with the prisoners taken out of jail premises and exercise of a strict watch on the acquaintances, etc. who visit them in the hospitals.

(c) A refresher training course has been introduced by Delhi Police for the benefit of police personnel deployed to guard prisoners taken out of jail premises.

FFP Pension cases from Maharashtra

4004. SHRI SURYABHAN PATEL VAHADANE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of pending Freedom Fighter's Pension cases from Maharshtra State; and

(b) what steps are being taken for speedy clearance of the cases and how much more time Government would take to finalise such cases ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) No case, complete in all respects and

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eligible for Samman Pension, duly verified and recommended by the Government of Maharshtra, is pending.

(b) Does Not arise.

Termination of a BSF Jawan

4005. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state ;

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report "BSF Jawan step up fight to get back job" appearing in the Sunday Times dated 5th March, 2000 and on earlier report MP's help prove costly to Jawan appearing in the Hindustan Times dated 27th December. 1998;

(b) if so, whether Government are reviewing the decision to terminate the job of the jawan who served for eight years; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) to (c) E.\ Constable Kamal Dey was enrolled in the BSF in 1989. He tendered his resignation which was accepted with effect from 1.1.97, He had resigned from service of his own volition and his petition for reinstatement was rejected by the Government.

Deployment of BSF

4006. SHRI ABANI ROY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether thousands of armed militants from top ranking militant outfits are awaiting across the border in Pakistan to enter Jammu and Kashmir as per confidential information from BSF as appeared in Pioneer dated the 15th April, 2000;

(b) whether the deployment of BSF along the border in Jammu and Kashmir and other States have been further strengthened;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the strategy formulated by BSF to prevent any type of infiltration across the Jammu and Kashmir border ?